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1. Introductory Sermon.
1. Call to order by the Moderator, if present; if he is not present, by the Clerk.
3. Reading letters of churches and enrolling names of delegates.
4. Election of officers, to-wit: Moderator, Clerk and treasurer.
5. Appointment of committee on Religious Exercises.
6. Call for churches to become members of the Association.
7. Call for letters and messengers from other Associations.
8. Invite visiting brethren to seats.
9. Appointment of committees as follows: (1) Temperance, (2) Religious Literature, (3) Sunday-Schools and Colportage, (4) Education, (5) State Missions, (6) Home and Indian Missions, (7) Foreign Missions, (8) Baptist Orphanage, (9) Finance, (10) Obituaries, (11) Ministerial Support, (12) Ministerial Relief, and chairmen of committees Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 for next year.
10. Appoint messengers to corresponding associations and to the Baptist State Convention, and a delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention.
11. Call for reports from committees in the order in which they were appointed.
12. Appoint the time and place of next meeting, and preacher of the Introductory Sermon.
13. Treasurer's Report.
14. Business matters or questions laid over from previous meeting; new business, motions, resolutions, &c. [See request from Dallas church.]
15. Adjournment.

PROCEEDINGS.

GASTONIA, N. C., September 22d, 1892.

The King's Mountain Baptist Association convened in its 41st annual session with the Gastonia Baptist Church, Gaston county, N. C., on Thursday, September 22d, 1892.

At 11 o'clock A. M. Rev. G. P. Hamrick preached the introductory sermon. Text, Matthew 7:12.

The Body was called to order by the Moderator.

On motion, the Association adjourned to 2.30 P. M.

THURSDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Moderator called the Body to order. The Clerk being absent, Bro. J. H. Quinn was called to act as temporary clerk. Brethren J. A. Roberts and J. S. Wray were appointed Reading Clerks.

The churches were called and they responded with letters and with the following delegates:

BEAVER DAM.. T C Eskridge, D B Green, J D McSwain.
BETHLEHEM.. T W Harmon, A H Herndon, J S Thornburg.
BOILING SPRINGS.. D J Hamrick, T G Hamrick, J L Pruett, J H Quinn, E B Hamrick, D S Lovelace.
CARPENTER'S GROVE.. J Z Falls, Jerry Smith, A P Bumgarner.
CORINTH.. Not represented.
DALLAS.. J R Lewis.
DOUBLE SPRINGS.. W W Washburn, C A Hamrick, G S Ramsay.
ELIZABETH.. P D Wilson, D P Poston, A .. Mauney, Robt. Wilson.
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PATTERSON'S GROVE.. I A McGill, I H Patterson.
PLEASANT GROVE.. Lee Wallace, A C Gladden, V A Gardner.
PLEASANT HILL.. J A Roberts, M L Putnam, Hugh Borders.
ROSS' GROVE.. R Lee Weathers, W P Wilson, D W Blanton.
SANDY PLAINS.. I J Bridges, L S Jenkins, A G Wiggins.
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SHELBY.. T D Lattimore, M N Hamrick, B Blanton, W D Bostick,
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On motion of Rev J M Bridges, the present officers were re-elected by acclamation, viz: H F Schenck, Moderator; D S Lovelace, Clerk, and T D Lattimore, Treasurer. The moderator announced as a committee on Religious Exercises, B Blanton, J R Lewis and S M Beam, with pastor and deacons of Gastonia church.

An invitation was given for churches wishing to become members of this Body, when Lattimore's Baptist church responded with letter and delegates.

A committee of three, viz: T Dixon, A C Irvin, and R N Hawkins were appointed to examine the faith and practice of said church. Said committee reported that they had investigated and found Lattimore's church orthodox, and recommended that it be admitted. On motion, said church was received into this body and her delegates invited to seats with us.

An invitation was given for messengers from sister associations and responded to as follows:

York Association, Rev L L Sams; Flat River Association, Rev C A Jenkins; South Fork Association, Revs J A Hoyle and M P Matheny; Liberty Association, Rev G M Webb.

The following visiting brethren were invited to seats with us: Rev J B Boone, of the State Mission Board; Bro J H Mills, representing the Baptist Orphanage; Bro J C Caddell, representing the Biblical Recorder.

The Body appointed as messengers to corresponding associations, all who would attend. The following were appointed as delegates to the Baptist State Convention, viz: Revs A C Irvin, T Dixon, J L Sproles, J M Bridges, G P Hamrick, R L Limrick, P R Elam, and brethren E B Hamrick and John C Squier.

The moderator announced committees as follows:

State Missions, T Dixon, S M Beam and J H Quinn.
Home and Indian Missions, John Wray and T W Harmon.
Foreign Missions, F C Hickson, J R Lewis and J A Roberts.
Education, P R Elam, M L Putnam and T J Ramseur.
Religious Literature, G P Hamrick, W W Washburn and J J Cornwell.
Temperance, A C Irvin, M N Hamrick and P P Hoke.
Baptist Orphanage, R L Limrick, T D Lattimore and P R Elam.
Sunday Schools and Colportage, T H Mullinax, B B Hamrick and J Z Falls.

On motion, next session of this Association will be held with the Boiling Springs Baptist church, Cleveland county. The committee on religious exercises offered a resolution fixing the time of meeting and adjournment of the Association as follows:

Morning session: meet at 9:30 A. M., and adjourn at 12:30.

Afternoon session: meet at 3, and adjourn at pleasure.

Night session: meet at 7:45, and adjourn at will.

On motion, said resolution was adopted. Prayer by Rev J M Bridges. The Body adjourned.

NIGHT SESSION.

Music by the choir. Prayer by Rev M P Matheny. The moderator announcing the following committees, viz:

Finance: L L Jenkins, D A F Hamrick and J S Wray.

Obituaries: R N Hawkins, N H Moss and T H Mullinax.

Ministerial Support: J L Sproles, J C Squier and J M Wilson.

The committee on Bap. Orphanage reported as follows:

Your committee on Baptist Orphanage beg leave to report that there are now at the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville, 119 children depending on the Baptists of North Carolina for their support. These children need clothing for the winter, and let us see to it that all our churches do something for them; for the Lord hath said, they that giveth to the poor, lendeth to the Lord. Let us remember them by our prayers and our means.

R. L. LIMRICK,
T. D. LATTIMORE, } Com.
P. R. ELAM,

The Orphanage was discussed by Revs J B Boone, M P Matheny, F C Hickson, J M Bridges, A C Irvin, G P Hamrick, and brethren J C Caddell, J H Mills and J S Wray. A collection was taken for Orphanage as follows.

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J M Bridges.....	1 00	Other friends.....	23 72
T J Ramsour.....	2 00		
P P Hoke.....	1 00	Total.....	\$75 72
D B Green.....	1 00		

Report on Baptist Orphanage was adopted.

On motion adjourned. Prayer by Rev G M Webb.

FRIDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Music. Reading and prayer by Rev J L Sproles.

The Moderator called the Body to order at 9:30 A. M., and called for churches not represented yesterday. Several churches responded with letter and delegates, as shown in list of delegates. Rev William Giadinghagin was received as a messenger from the Broad River Association.

Proceedings of yesterday read.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

This is a day when people read as they never read before. The number of books, and we might say the reading of books, there is no end. The Bible should be read more than all other books. There is no other knowledge so elevating, mentally, and so soul-satisfying as that obtained from God's truth. No artist has ever painted, with pen or brush, pictures that compare with those seen in its pages; of nature in its beauty, strength and usefulness, with its flowers, fruits and forets; of man in his physical, mental and moral powers; of God in his three-fold nature, the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, three in one. In order that this book may be simplified, we have the living ministry who stand on the wall of Zion declaring God's everlasting decrees. And filled with these is the power of the press. We

acknowledge our indebtedness to the press as a source of knowledge. We can read, at home, its productions. As a Sunday School help, we heartily recommend the convention series and the helps of the Baptist Publication Society. To those who would understand men and matters in North Carolina, we say read the "Biblical Recorder," and "N. C. Baptist." To the man seeking to understand the missionary affairs in the Southern States, we point you to the "Home Field," published in Atlanta, Ga. And to those whose hearts are enlarged enough to take in the world, we would hold up to your view the "Foreign Mission Journal." To those who wish to understand the orphan work in this State, we insist on you reading "Charity and Children," published at Thomasville, N. C.

G P HAMRICK,
J J CORNWELL, } Com.
W W WASHBURN,

Remarks by brethren J C Caddell, J M Wilson, J C Squier, P D Wilson, and Revs G P Hamrick, F C Hickson, M P Matheny, R N Hawkins, J L Sproles, P G Hopper and J M Bridges.

Report on religious literature was adopted.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

To get the true idea of education, we must draw the contrast between the child and the person of mature years. Education develops the mind and makes it strong. We believe education is derived from the word "E Dueo," which means to draw out. By it the powers of the mind are drawn out and made to expand and take in knowledge, so that the educated become wise and learned. But some minds are not elastic and will not expand; hence we have [so called] educated men and women among us who are of no real service to the world, but this should be no drawback to our efforts to give the people a literary training. As parents and teachers we ought to nerve ourselves for the task before us, and remember the injunction to train our children. We are glad to see the people moving forward on this line. We now have a number of high schools in our bounds where our children can receive a practical or preparatory training. The Boiling Springs high school commends itself to us more than any other, in as much as it fixes its sessions to suit the working or rural class of children. And for higher training for young men, we would recommend Wake Forest College, which is now equal to any in the state. For young ladies we cannot say too much in praise of Oxford Female Seminary and High Point Female College. Brethren, let us awake to our duty and do the best we can for our children, and posterity will rise up and call us blessed.

As to Ministerial Education, the time has come when it is a necessity, and all should lend a helping hand to support the large number of ministerial students at Wake Forest College. Some are there from our own bounds who need our help.

P R ELAM,
M L PUTNAM, } Com.
T J RAMSEUR,

On motion, report was postponed to opening of afternoon session. At their request, the report on Ministerial Education was re-committed to committee on same.

REPORT ON HOME AND INDIAN MISSIONS.

The work of our home board fills a long-felt want in the work of Southern Baptists. A clear-cut distinction ought to be always kept before the minds of the people between our home and State mission work. The State Boards aim to assist in supplying the destitute places within their respective borders, while the home board has for its aim the supplying of all destitutions in the different states; i. e., doing the work in a state which its board is not able to do. The reason why Cuba is under the home

board, rather than the Foreign, is simply because the home board took up the work when it began. The labor of the home board is stupendous. We are trying through it to reach the foreign population that has come to live with us. We are also trying to give the Gospel to the poor untutored Indians. Surely they call for our sympathy and help. The needs of our colored brethren are also calling for our help and co-operation. The destitute territory within the bounds of our Southern Convention calls loudly for our help. The work in Cuba lies or ought to lie very near to the heart of every Southern Baptist. The work in this little isle, so wonderfully commenced and sustained, ought to fill every heart with missionary zeal.

Brethren, let our hearts be alive unto these departments of our home mission work. Let us give as hath been given unto us, not only of our prayers, but of our money. Respectfully submitted,

J M BRIDGES,
J S SWRAY,
T W HARMON, } Com.

Remarks by Revs J M Bridges, M P Matheny, J B Boone, P G Hopper, F C Hickson, J L Sproles, R L Limrick and brethren J H Mills, J D Moore, A E Bettis.

On motion, adjourned for dinner.

FRIDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The moderator called the Body to order at 3 p. m.

Resumed discussion of the report on Home and Indian missions by Rev M P Matheny.

On motion, the roll of churches was called and the following pledges made for Home and Indian missions :

Bethlehem	\$5 00	Mt. Zion	3 00
Boiling Springs	5 00	New Bethel	10 00
Carpenter's Grove	2 00	Patterson's Grove	2 00
Corinth	1 50	Pleasant Grove	3 00
Dallas	2 50	Pleasant Hill	2 50
Double Springs	3 00	Ross' Grove	2 60
Gatonia	10 00	Sheiby	25 00
Grover	1 00	Zion	5 00
Lattimore's	2 00	Zoar	2 00
Leonard's Fork	1 00	Mrs E J Lovelace, paid	1 25
Long Creek	2 00	Total	\$95 35
Mt. Sinai	1 00		
Mt. Vernon	3 00		

Report on home and Indian missions was adopted

The moderator announced chairmen of committees to report next year, as follows :

Temperance, Thomas Dixon; Religious Literature, J L Sproles; Sunday Schools and Colportage, J M Bridges; Education, F C Hickson; State missions, A C Irvin; Home and Indian missions, R L Limrick; Foreign missions, G P Hamrick; Baptist Orphanage, P R Elam.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Just one hundred years ago this year, God laid on the Baptists the signal honor of inaugurating the great work of modern missions. It was an insignificant man [as the world then viewed him] who first conceived the idea. It was an insignificant denomination which first undertook the

work, and the beginning was altogether insignificant. But no event of the century has been so revolutionizing and far-reaching in its effects. To no man and to no work are the Baptists more indebted than to William Cary and the work he began. Missions have brought the Baptists from the lowest to the highest round in the religious world. But for missions we would have been today the few scattered, unorganized, ineffectual folks of a century ago--a hiss and a by-word among other churches. As it is we are great in our work accomplished, great in numbers, great in organization, great in all resources for future work. If we are faithful to the trusts our fathers bequeathed us, our children will see great things indeed. With a view to storing the minds of our people with our wonderful history and thus paying a debt we owe the past, and with a view to inspiring to yet greater things for the future, we have undertaken a special Centennial work. It was thought that to send out one hundred new missionaries and to raise \$250,000 for equipping them and those already on the field for more efficient work, would be an easy task for the 2,000,000 Baptists of the South, your committee recommend that this Centennial work be fully canvassed and acted upon by the brethren of the Association. It is cause of unceasing regret to your committee that we cannot report our beloved missionary, Brother G P Bostic, as on the field and still our representative among the heathen. The Association is in possession of the facts in the case, and your committee have no recommendations to make in the matter save that we shall not allow this to cool our ardor nor to lessen our efforts in the work of Foreign missions. It is the opinion of your committee that the recent criticisms of the Foreign mission board have only proved the brethren of that Board more worthy of our confidence, both as to their integrity and efficiency. Your committee recommend a thorough discussion of the plans and methods of the Board in the body of this Association.

It is with inexpressible sadness that your committee note the embarrassments which have beset our Foreign mission work this year. Truly it is a time when the friends of missions should cover themselves with sack-cloth and ashes and mourn. Your committee recommend that a directory of the work of our Foreign Mission Board be inserted in the Minutes this year if possible; if not, in the Minutes of 1893, as a matter of reference for the members of the churches. Respectfully submitted.

F. C. HICKSON,
J. R. LEWIS,
J. A. ROBERTS, } Com.

Remarks by Revs F C Hickson, G P Hamrick and Bro J A Roberts. On motion, report on Foreign missions was made a special order for Saturday, 9:30 A. M.

Report on Ministerial Education re-read and postponed to 7:45 tonight.

The following brethren were invited to seats with us; Rev D M Austin, representing State missions; Rev W R Gwaltney, in the interest of ministerial education; Dr J N Stallings, in the interest of the Female College at High Point. On motion, a committee on Ministerial Relief was added to the list of committees named in the order of business. The committee on religious exercises announced preaching in the Presbyterian church tonight at 8 o'clock by Rev J B Boone. On motion, adjourned.

FRIDAY—NIGHT SESSION.

Music, "meekly wait and murmur not." Prayer by Rev D M Austin. The hour for the special order having arrived, the report on Education was taken up and discussed by Revs W R Gwaltney, G P Hamrick, J B Boone, Bro J H Quinn, Dr J N Stallings of High Point, and Dr Griffith, of the Cooper Limestone Institute.

Churches pledged as follows for ministerial education.

Beaver Dam.....	\$2 00	Mt. Zion.....	2 00
Bethlhem.....	3 00	New Bethel.....	10 00
P G Hopper.....	2 00	Patterson's Grove.....	2 00
Boiling Springs.....	5 00	Ross' Grove.....	2 00
Dallas.....	5 00	Shelby.....	75 00
Gastonias.....	10 00	zoar.....	2 00
Leonard's Fork.....	1 00	Corinth.....	2 00
Long Creek.....	2 50	Hat collection.....	20 24
Mt. Sinai.....	1 00		
Mt. Vernon.....	1 00	Total.....	\$147 74

Report on Education was adopted.

On motion adjourned. Prayer by Dr Griffith.

SATURDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Association met at 9 A. M. Reading and prayer by Rev T Dixon. The moderator called body to order.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND COLPORTAGE.

We are glad to report good schools from all our churches except two. It is gratifying to compare the present condition of our schools with the past and see the wonderful progress we have made for the last several years. But still the work has not reached its zenith. Much more remains to be done. We would not have you forget the Colportage work in connection with our Sunday schools. Brethren, we are responsible before God for the literature our children read.

STATISTICAL REPORT:

No. officers and teachers, 215	No. of scholars,	1851
No. of Quarterlies, 1703	Average attendance,	
Contributions, 46508		1008

Respectfully submitted.

T H MULLINAX, }
E B HAMRICK, } Com.
J Z FALIS, }

Bro Hickson offered as an amendment, "that all moneys sent up as Colportage funds be used in the bounds of the Association in the discretion of the Executive Committee." Discussed by Brother J A Roberts.

On motion, the report on S. S. and Colportage, as amended, was adopted.

On motion, all speeches, except the opening speech, were limited to ten minutes each, during remainder of the session.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We, your committee on Temperance, are glad to report some advancement along the line. We are glad that our people are being aroused on this great question. We hope the day is not far distant when our people will all come together against intemperance and remove the demon from our land. "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging, and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise."—Prov. 20:1. "Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink; for he that hath not the qualities of temperance can not enter the Kingdom of Heaven."

A C IRVIN,
P P HOKE,
M N HAMRICK, } Com.

Remarks by Revs A C Irvin, P G Hopper, F C Hickson, L L Sams, J M Bridges and brethren Hugh Borders, J C Squier, J D Moore, J H Quinn and J D Brumfield. Report on Temperance was adopted.

Foreign missions were taken up, and the following pledges made to the Foreign Mission Board:

Beaver Dam.....	\$ 8 00	Shelby.....	\$100 00
Boiling Springs.....	10 00	Zion.....	10 00
Corinth.....	5 00	Zion Hill.....	5 00
Dallas.....	5 00	Zoar.....	5 00
Double Springs.....	20 00	Lattimore's.....	5 00
Gastonia.....	25 00	Carpenter's Grove.....	5 00
Leonard's Fork.....	5 00	Mrs E J Lovelace.....	1 00
Long Creek.....	5 00		
New Bethel.....	60 00	Total.....	\$279 00
Pleasant Grove.....	5 00		

The following pledges for Foreign missions were ordered to be sent direct to Bro Bostick:

Bethlehem.....	\$15 00	Patterson's Grove.....	\$ 8 00
Boiling Springs.....	10 00	Pleasant Hill.....	5 00
Grover.....	10 00	Ross' Grove.....	8 00
Mount Vernon.....	2 00		
Mount Zion.....	4 00	Total.....	\$62 00
			\$340 00

Grand total in pledges for Foreign Missions,.....

NOTE.—Carpenter's Grove did not specify whether direct or through the Board.

On motion, report on Foreign missions was adopted.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Dear Brethren: There are three principal channels through which the Gospel must reach the unchristianized world, viz: State, Home, and Foreign missions. Each of these has its particular work to do, and should not be displaced by the others. Just as each individual must answer before God for the sins of his flesh, so each department of missions is responsible for the work in its distinct field of labor. In view of the great need of Home and Foreign mission work, there seems to be a growing tendency to neglect State missions, but we should remember that the command "Go ye therefore and teach all nations," includes the unsaved in our own State as well as the heathen Chinese. Last year we had one hundred and eighteen missionaries employed in this department; this year we have only one

hundred,--eighteen less than last year. These missionaries are located in thirty-four of the forty associations connected with the State Convention. Amount received for the year ending with August, 1891, \$5,060.97, making a decrease of \$1,331.18 from last year. The work to be done in our State is as needful today as it was one year ago. We will need every dollar of the \$17,000 which the Board has estimated for this year. We must look to the pastors to push this work before the people. Let us all join hands and hearts in this matter and God will crown our labors with the salvation of many souls.

T DIXON,
S M BEAM, } Com.
J H QUINN,

Remarks by Rev D M Austin.

The following pledges were made for State missions:

Bethlehem.....	\$5 00	Mt. Zion.....	5 00
Boiling Springs.....	10 00	New Bethel.....	10 00
Dallas.....	7 00	Patterson's Grove.....	2 00
Corinth.....	2 00	Pleasant Grove.....	4 00
Double Springs.....	10 00	Pleasant Hill.....	2 50
Gastonia.....	15 00	Ross' Grove.....	3 00
Grover.....	2 00	Shelby.....	40 00
Lattimore's.....	7 00	Zion.....	5 00
Leonard's Fork.....	1 00	Mrs E J Lovelace.....	1 00
Long Creek.....	6 00		
Mt. Vernon.....	3 00	Total.....	\$140 50

The subject of State missions was further discussed by Dr Griffith, Revs J B Boone, G M Webb, W R Gwaltney, F C Hickson, J M Bridges, R L Limrick and Bro J C Caddell.

On motion, report on State missions was adopted.

Bro Limrick moved to re-establish associational missions. Same was discussed by Revs R L Limrick, J L Sproles, J B Boone, F C Hickson. The Body decided not to renew the work of the associational missions.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

For State missions, - - -	\$ 93 93	For Baptist Orphanage, - - -	5 00
For Home and Ind. missions, - - -	51 03	For Minutes, - - -	27 00
For Foreign missions, - - -	330 08		
For Ministerial Education, - - -	40 25	Total, - - -	\$573 31
For Colportage, - - -	26 02		

Respectfully submitted.

L L JENKINS,
D A F HAMRICK } Com.
J S WRAY,

On motion, the report on Finance was adopted.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Inasmuch as three churches have not been heard from, we are unable to give a correct report. Of the twenty eight churches heard from, we find that fifty of our members have died during the past associational year.

R N HAWKINS, } Com.
T H MULLINAX, } Com.

Supplement to report on Obituaries :

Rev James Brumfield was born in Pittsylvania county, Va., at the foot of the mountains on Dan river, in July, 1806. He died in Gastonia, June 12th, 1892, and was buried by the side of his wife and daughter-in-law, in the Dallas (N C) Cemetery. From the fly-leaf of his Bible we copy, "Embraced Jesus October 5th, 1838." He was at first a Methodist, but changed his views and was baptized into the fellowship of the Middle Creek Baptist church, Smith county, Va., Sept. 21st, 1844, by Rev Noah Baldwin. He began preaching, soon after his conversion, among the Methodists and continued to preach after his connection with the Baptists. He was ordained to the full work of the Baptist ministry, (writer doesn't know the exact time). If a full record had been kept of his life, it would be interesting and profitable reading. He was a cabinet workman, having served his trade in Richmond, Va. The first office and printing room furniture ever used by the "Religious Herald," Richmond, Va., were the works of his hand. He worked at his trade and preached the Gospel, from Richmond, Va., to Spartanburg, S. C. In Virginia he was associated with and enjoyed the confidence of such men as Noah Baldwin, Jesse Witt and J B Jeter. In company with the former two he was once denied the privilege of the floor in a Virginia Baptist Association, because of their advocacy of Temperance and missions. He was a member of the old Broad River Association in the days of the Curtises, J G Landrum, M C Barnett and Drury Dobbins. As a preacher, Bro Brumfield was short, but pointed. He tried to make centre-shot with one idea. In exhortations and prayers he was one of the most gifted of men. He would reach and affect any one who heard him. His influence in society was most blessed. Deeply pious he had the gift of impressing everybody with his humility, faith and zeal. This pastor, at the time of his death, was scarcely able to determine whether "I have finished my course, I have fought a good fight, I have kept the faith," or "a good man and full of the Holy Ghost," was a more appropriate text from which to preach his funeral sermon. Both were true of him.

Towards the close of his life, he became keenly anxious to cross over the river and be with Christ. Heaven was very real to him. He seemed to see it. Its light shined upon his pathway here below. He is Home at last, "forever with the Lord, Amen!" So let it be. His last service in public is one never to be forgotten by those who were present. A picture of the scene is hung in the gallery of their souls. Tremblingly leaning on his staff, he spoke in clear and melting tones of how the Lord had led him through life; then his face lit up with a heavenly joy, and his eye seemed to peer into the very presence of his Lord as he told us how he waited and yearned to go. Then choking down with emotion, he burst forth in the most eloquent strain that this writer ever heard, "Brethren, meet me there!" God help us all to heed this exhortation.

On motion, the report on Obituaries was adopted.

Rev J L Sproles was appointed to preach the introductory sermon at next session of the Association, with Rev P G Hopper, alternate.

Bro Hickson offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That a Centennial committee be appointed, whose duty it shall be to arrange for programme and speakers, and time and place of meeting, for every section of this Association.

Pursuant to above resolution the following committee were appointed : J L Sproles, F C Hickson, T D Lattimore, G P Hamrick, J D Moore and A C Irvin.

Bro Quinn offered the following resolution of thanks :
Resolved, That this Association returns its heart-felt thanks to this

church, and the good citizens of Gastonia and the surrounding country, for the kind hospitality which they have extended to this Body. 2nd, That they shall ever occupy a green spot in our memory.

The above resolution was unanimously adopted.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.

Your committee would beg leave to report that our ministers are very poorly paid in the King's Mountain Association. It makes one sad to look over the report of churches numbering from 322 to 212 and 223 members, and only paying \$100 for pastor's salary, these churches being composed of some wealthy members, and the majority of them in good circumstances. In making an average we find one church of 322 members paying to pastor less than 31 ets. a piece, and \$2 to Ministerial Education; contributions to other objects correspondingly small. No Sunday school. This is only a fair sample. Many of our churches are great sleeping giants. We find the average salary paid to pastors to be \$113.22, making an average of reported members from representative churches to pay less than 75c. a piece.

In looking around for the cause for this state of affairs, we are constrained to lay the blame largely at the door of the preachers. It might be said by some of our conscientious laymen that we pay our preachers in proportion to the preaching we have. Poor preach, poor pay! We would reply that a church ought not to be content to pay its pastor less than it is able, and then look them out a pastor they consider worth their money. This would have a good effect in causing our ministers to make a better preparation for preaching. Your committee would specially commend the liberality of the Gastonia church to their pastor, 100 members, salary \$800, making an average of \$8 to the member. We would also commend the liberality of the Shelby church in contributing to the various departments of denominational work. May God in His wisdom, and by His spirit, stir up our churches to their full duty on this subject. May we all remember that the Scripture says, "the laborer is worthy of his hire."

J L SPROLES,
JOHN C SQUIER, } Com.
J M WILSON,

Remarks by Revs J L Sproles, F C Hickson, T Dixon, W R Gwaltney, A C Irvin, L L Sams, and brethren J D Brumfield, T D Lattimore, H F Schenck, John C Squier and J A White.

On motion, the report was adopted.

On motion, the Clerk was authorized to have Minutes printed and distributed, and retain ten dollars of Minute fund for his services.

Bro T D Lattimore was appointed as delegate to Southern Baptist Convention, which meets in Nashville, Tenn., on Friday, May 12th, 1893. Rev F C Hickson was appointed as alternate to said Convention.

On motion, the Association adjourned to meet with the Boiling Springs Baptist Church, Cleveland county, (nine miles west of Shelby and four miles south of Mooresboro, N. C.) on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1893.

H. F. SCHENCK, Moderator.
D. S. LOVELACE, Clerk.

Minute fund too short this time to justify printer in inserting the Directory of the work of our Foreign Mission Board.

ERRATA.—In Statistical table under head of Pastors, the name of "A. Bumgarner" appears. It should read, A P Bumgarner.

SUN. SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST-OFFICES	No. of School Contributions by School	No. of Quarterlies
		Scholar Expenses	Attendance
		No. of Scholars	Average Attendance
Beaver Dam.....	J D McSwain, Shelby, N C.....	12	129
Bethlehem.....	J F Herndon, King's Mt., N C.....	5	90
Boiling Springs.....	J H Quinn, Boiling Springs, N C.....	14	150
Carpenter's Grove.....	A B Peeler, Knob Creek, N C.....	5	65
Dallas.....	J R Lewis, Dallas, N C.....	6	32
Double Springs.....	J L Green, Lattimore's, N C.....	8	135
Elizabeth.....	P D Wilson, Shelby, N C.....	9	68
Gastonia.....	J D Moore, Gastonia, N C.....	6	75
Grover.....	Reports a good Sunday School.....		
King's Mountain.....	A E Clayton, King's Mt., N C.....	8	50
Lattimore's.....	D A F Hamrick, Lattimore's, N C.....	8	56
Long Creek.....	T J Hoover, Crouse, N C.....	8	30
Mt. Sinai.....	W K McSwain, Stices Shoal, N C.....	8	30
Mt. Vernon.....	M W Brindle, Hull's X Roads, N C.....	8	51
Mt. Zion.....	S L Dellinger, Cherryville, N C.....	8	49
New Bethel.....	J F Schenck, Cleveland Mills, N C.....	12	70
New Hope.....	A E Bettis, Earl Station, N C.....	8	100
Patterson's Grove.....	N W Ross, King's Mountain, N C.....	9	49
Pleasant Grove.....	V A Gardner, Beam's Mills, N C.....	7	61
Pleasant Hill.....	S R Anthony, Durbro, N C.....	6	60
Ross' Grove.....	H Dedmon, Shelby, N C.....	8	70
Sandy Plains.....	W C Jones, New House, N C.....	7	50
Shelby.....	T D Lattimore, Shelby, N C.....	15	150
Zion.....	F P Gold, Pearl, N C.....	6	70
Zion Hill.....	J G Proctor, Shoup's Ford, N C.....	10	60
Zoar.....	J M Putnam, Shelby, N C.....	13	109
Totals.....		214 1859	380 19 394 63 1843

T. D. LATTIMORE, Treasurer, in acct. with King's Mount'n Association.

1891. Rec'd for State Missions.

Sept 24 From Finance com. \$54 60
Oct From Patterson Grove ch 2 00
Nov 9 From Shelby church, 31 55
Nov 16 From Zion church, 5 00

1892.

Jany 7 From Beaver Dam ch, 5 00
Feb 8 From King's Mount'n ch, 2 00
Apr 12 From Double Sprgs ch, 12 00
Apr 18 From New Bethel ch, 10 03
Aug 8 From New Bethel ch, 3 08
May, From Pat. Grove ch, 2 00
Aug 20 From King's Mt'n ch, 2 00

Total received..... \$129 26

1891. Rec'd for Home Missions.

Sept 24, From finance com. 69 33
Sept 24, From Mrs E J Lovelace, 2 00
Sept 24, From P P Hoke, 50
Oct, From Pat. Grove church, 3 50
Dec 10, " Pleas. Hill ch, H H, 5 25
Dec 14, " Elizabeth ch, " 10 00
Dec 23, From Sandy Plains S S, 2 56
Dec 23, From Ross' Grove ch, 2 50
Dec 28, From Shelby ch, H H, 23 95

1892.

Jan 30, From Zion church, H H, 3 26
Apr 12, From Doub. Springs ch, 3 60
Apr 18, From New Bethel ch, 10 00
May, From Pat. Grove church, 1 00
Aug 20, From King's Mt'n ch, 1 00

Total received..... \$137 85

1891. Rec'd for Foreign missions.

Sept 24 From finance com. 242 80
Sept 24 From col. at assoc'n, 22 60
Oct From Pat. Grove church, 10 00
Nov 3, From Beaver Dam ch, 7 00

1892.

Jan 7, From Deaver Dam ch, 4 39
Feb 18, From Elizabeth ch, 7 50
Mar 20, From Shelby church, 21 35
Mar 28, From Grover church, 11 90
Mar 28, From S E Bostick, 5 00
Apr 2, From Beaver Dam ch, 3 00
Apr 4, From King's Mount'n ch, 3 00
Apr 6, From S E Bostick, 5 00
Apr 12 From Doub. Springs ch, 30 00
Apr 17, From Shelby church, 15 19
Apr 18, From New Bethel ch, 25 00
Apr 21, From Zion church, 13 00
Apr 26, From Leonard's Fork ch 3 00
Apr 26, From Long Creek ch, 5 00
May, From Pat. Grove ch, 2 00
June 6, From Pleas. Grove ch, 2 00
Aug 2, From Corinth church, 4 00
Aug 8, From New Bethel ch, 5 00
Aug 16, From Beaver Dam ch, 2 60
Aug 20, From King's Mt'n ch, 2 00

Total received..... \$452 33

1891. Amount paid out.

Sept 26 By paid J D Boushall, 54 60
Nov 9 By paid " " 33 55
Dec 24 By paid " " 5 00

1892.

Feb 18 By paid " " 7 00
Apr 30 By paid " " 22 03
Aug 25 By paid " " 7 08

Total paid out..... \$129 26

1891. Amount paid out.

Sept 26, By paid J D Boushall, 71 83
Nov 9, By paid " " 3 50
Dec 24, By paid " " 20 31
Dec 29, By paid " " 23 95

1892.

Feb 18, By paid " " 3 26
Apr 30, By paid " " 13 00
Aug 25, By paid " " 2 00

Total paid out..... \$137 85

1891. Amount paid out.

Sept 25, By bal. due last report, 15 15
Sept 26, By paid J D Boushall, 250 25

Nov 9, By paid " " 17 00

1892.

Feb 18, By paid " " 4 39
Apr 2, By paid " " 45 75
Apr 20, By paid " " 76 19
Apr 26, By paid " " 21 00
Aug 25, By paid " " 17 60

Amount paid out..... \$447 33

Amount to balance..... 5 00

Total paid out..... \$452 33

1891. Rec'd for Education.
 Sept 24, From finance com. 42 50
 Sept 24, From Corinth church 1 00
 Nov 6 From Shelby ch. for J V
 Diviney 15 00
 Nov 9 From Rev G P Hamrick
 for J V Diviney 2 00
 1892.
 Mar 15 From Shelby church 13 16
 Apr 12 From Doub. Springs ch 3 00
 Apr 17 From Shelby S. S. for
 J V Diviney 20 00
 May From Pat. Grove church 2 00
 Aug 8 From New Bethel ch, 5 00

Total received..... \$103 66

1891. Rec'd for Assoc'n missions.
 Dec 1 From S S Convention
 Pleasant Hill 1 55

1892.
 Feb 1 From S S Beaver Dam 4 25
 Feb 1 From S S Bethlehem 5 25
 Feb 11 From Rev J M Bridges 1 00
 May 29 From S S Conv. Zoar 15 52
 Aug 1 From S S Con. Boil. Spr's 4 32

Total received..... \$31 89

1892. Rec'd for Colportage.
 Apr 12 From Doub. Springs ch 5 00
 Apr 20 By paid J D Boushall 5 00

1891. Rec'd for Church Extension.
 Sept 24 Col. at Association for
 State Line church 8 72

Sep 27 From Mrs Hulda Miller
 King's Mountain church 5 00
 Oct 8 From Zion King's Mt'n ch 3 00
 Nov 24 From Eliz. " " ch 5 00
 Dec 7 From Rev A C Irvin, do 5 00
 Jan 14 From W P Wilson, do 1 00
 From Beaver Dam, do 50

Total for church extension \$28 22

1891. Rec'd for Bap. Orphanage.
 Sept 23 From col. at associat'n 87 06
 Nov 12 From New Bethel ch 22 91
 Nov 16 From Corinth church 3 05
 Nov 16 From Leonard's Fork ch 2 70
 Nov 24 From Elizabeth church 5 00

Total received..... \$120 72

1891. Amount paid out.
 Sept 26 By paid J D Boushall, 43 50
 Nov 9 By paid J V Diviney, 17 00
 1892.
 Apr 2 By paid J D Boushall, 13 16
 Apr 18 By paid J V Diviney 20 00
 Apr 30 By paid J D Boushall, 3 00
 Aug 25 By paid J D Boushall, 7 00

Total paid out..... \$103 66

1892. Amount paid out.
 Feb 1 By paid Rev R L Limrick 9 81

Amount to balance..... \$22 08

1891. Amount paid out.
 Oct 2 By paid T J Floyd 8 72
 Nov 24 By paid P P Hoke 13 00
 1892.
 Feb 8 By paid P P Hoke 6 00
 By paid P P Hoke 50

Total paid out..... \$28 22

1891. Amount paid out.
 Sept 23 By paid J D Newton 87 06
 Nov 13 By paid J M Hillard 22 91
 Dec 3 By paid J M Hillard 10 75

Total paid out..... \$120 72

Respectfully submitted,
 T. D. LATTIMORE, Treasurer.

On motion, the Treasurer's report was adopted.

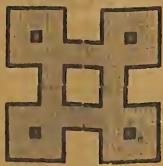
SATURDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

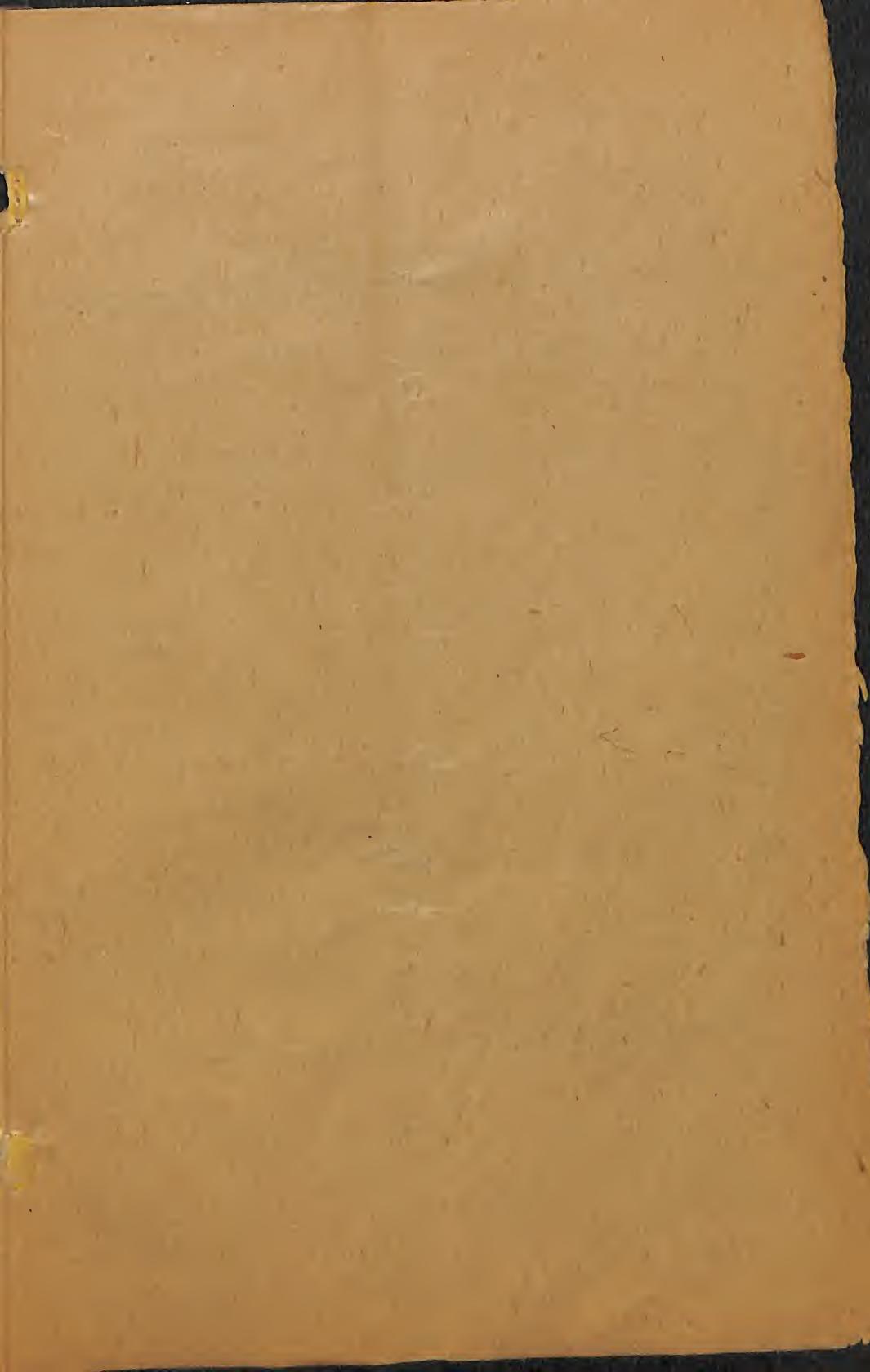
The Moderator called the Body to order at 3 o'clock, P. M. Prayer by Rev. Dr. J. N. Stallings.

The committee appointed last year for that purpose, reported that they had investigated the Dallas church matter, and had advised the church to withdraw fellowship from any and all members who persisted in the business of store-keeping or gauging after June 26th, 1892.

The committee further reports Dallas church as being in good condition at present, they having excluded all members who refused to heed the advice of the committee.

The above report was adopted.





STATISTICAL

1892

CHURCHES.	CLERKS AND THEIR POST-OFFICES	PASTORS.	Dismissed by				
			No. Restored	Rec. by letter	No. Baptized	Sabbaths of Preaching.	Letter.
Beaver Dam.....	C C Hamrick, Shelby, N C.....	G W Rollins.....	4	4	3	.....	18
Bethlehem.....	J F Herndon, King's Mt., N C.....	P G Hopper.....	3	6	8	.....	2
Boiling Springs.....	D S Lovelace, Boiling Springs.....	G P Hamrick.....	24	8	.....	.....	1
Carpenter's Grove.....	A B Peeler, Knob Creek, N C.....	J A Rector.....	1	9	.....	.....	1
Corinth.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dallas.....	C S Stowe, Dallas, N C.....	F C Hickson.....	4	2	9	.....	1
Double Springs.....	J L McSwain, Lattimore, N C.....	A C Irvin.....	2	2	9	.....	28
Elizabeth.....	G W Kendrick, Shelby, N C.....	J M Bridges.....	2	10	7	.....	5
Gastonia.....	J D Brumfield, Gastonia, N C.....	F C Hickson.....	E.S.	5	15	1	11
Grover.....	J R Crocker, Grover, N C.....	T Dixon.....	4	17	6	.....	7
King's Mountain.....	P P Hoke, King's Mountain, N C.....	T Bright.....	3	16	13	.....	7
Lattimore's.....	J H Jones, Mooresboro, N C.....	A C Irvin.....	1	3	13	.....	.....
Leonard's Fork.....	Wm H Hoover, Crouse, N C.....	R L Limrick.....	2	.....	.....	.....	1
Long Creek.....	Henry L Jenkins, Dallas, N C.....	R L Limrick.....	4	7	1	.....	16
Mt. Sinai.....	C D Weaver, Stices' Shoals, N C.....	R N Hawkins.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Vernon.....	F J Leatherman, Hull's X Roads.....	A Bumgarner.....	4	2	.....	1	.....
Mt. Zion.....	S L Dellinger, Cherryville, N C.....	A P Hollifield.....	2	3	17	1	3
New Bethel.....	R A Hord, Cleveland Mills, N C.....	A P Hollifield.....	2	3	17	1	3
New Hope.....	A E Bettis, Earl Station, N C.....	C F Felmet.....	2	.....	4	.....	7
New Prospect.....	J C Hoyle, Shelby, N C.....	T Dixon.....	2	36	2	1	1
Patterson's Grove.....	N W Ross, King's Mountain, N C.....	T Bright.....	3	3	3	.....	5
Pleasant Grove.....	R W Gardner, Beam's Mills, N C.....	A P Hollifield.....	1	11	5	.....	11
Pleasant Hill.....	J A Roberts, Patterson's Springs.....	C F Felmet.....	1	5	1	.....	7
Ross' Grove.....	R L Weathers, Shelby, N C.....	J M Bridges.....	4	.....	.....	4	.....
Sardy Plains.....	C R Whitaker, New House, N C.....	T Dixon.....	3	8	3	4	16
Shady Grove.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shelby.....	D A Beam, Shelby, N C.....	J L Sproles.....	E.S.	14	27	.....	19
Waco.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Zion.....	A J Irvin, Pearl, N C.....	T J Moss.....	1	10	12	2	8
Zion Hill.....	M J Hoyle, Shoup's Ford, N C.....	A Bumgarner.....	2	28	2	7	1
Zoar.....	S J Weaver, Sharon, N C.....	C F Felmet.....	3	9	7	.....	2
Totals.....	.....	.....	.....	232	166	17	179

Corinth, Shady Grove and Waco taken from last year's report.

Double Springs and New Prospect did not give males and females separately.

TABLE.

No. Excluded		Total number		Pastor's Salary.		State Missions		Home Missions.		Foreign Missions.		Education.		Other Objects		
No. of Males.		No. Females.										Baptist Orphanage.		Church Expenses.		
No. Died....														Minute Fund.		
														Total Contributions		
1	5	94	154	248	\$100 00	\$ 5 00	\$20 00	2 50	\$42 50	\$12 00	\$1 15	\$180 65			
1	1	70	120	190	100 00	5 00	20 00	9 85	70	9 85	70	1 10	143 05			
1	6	140	171	311	609 00	10 00	25 00	15 00	45 00	1 60	706 60					
1	1	36	38	74	75 00	3 00	90 00	45	168 45					
1	2	22	30	52	50	50					
2	1	6	19	26	7 00	2 50	5 00	5 00	2 00	14 00	1 10	213 10			
1	1	1	1	181	150 00	12 00	3 00	30 00	3 00	29 20	20 00	60	256 80		
6	1	73	90	163	125 00	12 00	15 00	50 00	5 00	471 05	85 75	2 00	1428 80		
7	5	34	66	100	800 00	15 00	10 00	25 00	10 00	\$10 00				95	87 62	
3	2	57	111	168	70 00	50	15 92	25			
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